

REMARKS

Re-examination and allowance of the present application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner objects to the title of the application as being non-descriptive. By the current amendment, Applicants submit a replacement title that is believed to be clearly indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the objection to the title.

By the current amendment, Applicants cancel, without prejudice, original claims 1-9 and submit new claims 10-18 for the Examiner's consideration. Applicants submit that the new claims avoid the numerous obviousness-type double patenting rejections and provisional rejections set forth by the Examiner. Applicants submit that the present invention, as defined by claims 10-18, are not obvious over the art cited by the Examiner. Specifically, Applicants submit that the presently claimed invention is not identical to and is patentably distinct from the claimed art applied by the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner withdraw the numerous double patenting rejections, including the various provisional double patenting rejections.

Applicants also respectfully traverse the 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) rejection of claims 1-7 as being obvious over U.S. Patent 5,801,696 to ROBERTS.

According to a feature of the presently claimed invention, an event is sent to a first application that is selected based on first receivable event information that was previously registered by the first application, and sent to a second application selected based on second receivable event information previously registered by the second application. Applicants submit that at least this feature is not disclosed (let alone suggested) by

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ROBERTS. Applicants further submit that "Official Notice" fails to supply the feature lacking in ROBERTS.

In ROBERTS, an event is sent to a focused application. ROBERTS does not disclose or suggest sending the event to a running application that is selected based on receivable event information previously registered by the application. Accordingly, Applicants submit that if one attempted to revise the teachings of ROBERTS with the teaching taken by the Examiner as being "Official Notice", one would fail to arrive at the instant inventions, as such a combination would fail to include at least the above-discussed feature; namely, sending an event to a first application selected based on first receivable event information that was previously registered by the first application, and sending the event to a second application selected based on second receivable event information previously registered by the second application.

By the current amendment, Applicants submit new claims 10-18 for the Examiner's consideration. These claims specify (using the language of claim 10) sending the event corresponding to the input from the user to the first application when the first application determining information identifies the event corresponding to the input from the user can be received by the first application, and sending the event corresponding to the input from the user to the second application when the second application determining information identifies the event corresponding to the input from the user can be received by the second application. As at least this feature is submitted to be neither disclosed or suggested by the applied art of record, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the 35 U.S.C. §103 rejection. The Examiner is also respectfully requested to indicate the allowability of the

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pending claims, and to pass this application to issue.

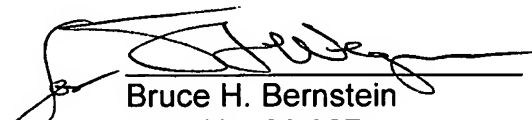
SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

In view of the fact that none of the art of record, whether considered alone or in combination, discloses or suggests the present invention as now defined by the pending claims, and in further view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the Examiner's action and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested and are believed to be appropriate.

Should the Commissioner determine that an extension of time is required in order to render this response timely and/or complete, a formal request for an extension of time, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), is herewith made in an amount equal to the time period required to render this response timely and/or complete. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required extension of time fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

If there should be any questions concerning this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,  
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